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PROGRESSIVE REPUBLICAN TICKET

For President
THEODORE ROOSEVELT
of New York
For Vice-President
HIRAM JOHNSON
of California

IS DOUBLE-EDGED.

Commissioner of Streets J. C. Nye says that the city is getting good work from its employees and that they do not loaf around smoking cigarettes.

That is an unkind cut and may reflect on his brother Commissioner Sam Browning, who was president of the city council last year, and also one of the committee of three that had charge of the street department during the previous administration.

POPULAR PRIMARIES IN OGDEN AND ELSEWHERE.

The reactionary papers continue to explain that in the last popular primaries of the Republican party, many Democrats voted. We are waiting for the proof, but so far nothing but the unsupported word of the Standpat editors has been presented.

But let us concede, for the sake of the argument, that Democrats did take part. Is that something never heard of in the old mass primaries? Here in Ogden the ward heelers gather in the people from the highways and the byways and never question their politics, and we know that the Ogden mass primaries are neither better nor worse than the primaries elsewhere.

Where there has been a heavy vote in the popular primaries, as in California, the comparatively few Democrats who might be tempted to enter the Republican booths could not have had an important influence on the results. No great numbers of our people are other than fair-minded and an expression obtained from them, whether they be Democrats or Republicans in their political predilections, must make for good government. The greater danger to the country is the manipulated mass primary and convention, where the gangsters dominate by confusing their opponents, and where comparative few of the voters are even represented.

We are of the opinion that the reactionaries will meet with adverse public judgment in their desperate attempts to discredit the popular primaries which they so much fear.

STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

The state board of equalization has issued its yearly statement of assessed valuations on railroads and other property coming within the power of the board to assess.

We find that the big corporations are escaping their just share of taxation and that the state board is falling so far short of doing its duty as to cause endless comment.

Private property is being taxed almost five times higher than the railroads and the discrimination is being practiced at a time when the burden of taxation is equivalent to confiscation of the homes of the poor.

Not long ago the state board pried into the county recorder's office and obtained a list of transfers of real estate in Weber county, including lots on the outskirts of Ogden which a real estate agent had sold at a fancy figure. Calling the attention of our county commissioners to the sales, the state equalizers, asked if Weber county property was not valued too low. One of the commissioners pointed out that exceptional sales could not be taken as a basis of valuation and he offered to sell county tax-sale lots, similar to those quoted, at a figure 80 per cent below the recorded valuation in the transfers.

The state board is most diligent in boosting the assessed value of little homes and small farms, but fails to recognize that higher duty of forcing the big corporations to pay their just dues.

The state board has made repeated requests that Weber county farm lands be assessed higher and yet, year after year, the board issues its stereotyped report on the assessed valuation of railroads, in which the railroad property is assessed at one-fifth of what the roads are valued at for the purpose of fixing freight and passenger charges.

THAT CALIFORNIA STEAL.

The Salt Lake Tribune, commenting on the Chicago convention, says:

"The attitude of the supporters of Col. Roosevelt in the Chicago convention was illogical throughout. It was especially illogical in the matter of the California contest. But the Fourth congressional district in California the Taft delegates had the majority.

We doubt that the Tribune knows the facts in the case. The Fourth congressional district of California, in the primary election, was overlapped by 10 voting precincts and no one honestly can say what the vote was in that congressional district. Taking certain polling places wholly within the district, and disregarding the thousands of votes cast in the district but counted outside, and the two Taft delegates had a lead of two hundred or more votes. It is fair to presume that had all the votes within the boundary of the district been credited to that district that the two Roosevelt delegates would have had a majority of several hundred, as the vote everywhere except in four or five precincts was overwhelmingly for Roosevelt.

We challenge the Tribune to present a map of the Fourth District of California, with the ten overlapping polling precincts and by that map explain how it knows the Taft delegates carried the congressional district. Inasmuch as there was no way of determining whether the Taft delegates were elected, and the state law had disregarded old congressional lines and had called for a state-wide vote, why should the law have been ignored and the Roosevelt delegates, elected by 77,000 plurality, unseated?

The Tribune must not become so partisan that it cannot be fair. That paper should leave the washing of the party's dirty linen to the

Herald-Republican, a paper so narrow that it suppresses the Associated Press news reports when those reports are unfavorable to its political views.

BREAKING AWAY FROM THE CORRUPT.

The Standpat papers are urging the voters to disregard the disgraceful scenes at Chicago and vote the ticket for the good of the party.

"Pay no attention to how it happened, but vote the ticket straight," is their advice.

That is what, we presume, Standpatters would call intelligent voting and patriotic service, but it is what we would term the prostituting of the right of suffrage to base purpose.

No man should throw the weight of his opinion on the side of corruption simply because that side is his party. No one should lend encouragement to trickery and rascality in order to remain steadfast to his political group. The country already has suffered too much from just such voting, and it is the repeated calls to party prejudice rather than to principle that has made possible the outrages perpetrated by conventions such as that held in Chicago. The unprincipled leaders have come to believe that they can resort to the very lowest tricks of politics and can to the utmost abuse the trust reposed in them, and that all that is necessary, after gaining a mastery of the convention and foisting their creatures upon the party, is to shout, "Hurrah for the party," and then dare any one to prove "traitor" to the cause.

No wonder the American people are growing disgusted with politics of the old school; no wonder they are breaking away from party lines and casting their ballots for men and measures instead of blindly following base schemers within their party.

Here Is How Battle Raged Four Days In Baltimore to Select a Candidate

	Clark	Wilson	Underwood	Harrison	Bryan	Marshall	Keim	Post
First	440 1/2	324	117 1/2	148	22	31	1	1
Second	446 1/2	339 1/2	111 1/2	141	14	31	2	1
Third	441	345	114 1/2	140 1/2	14	31	1	1
Fourth	443	349 1/2	142	136 1/2	14	31	2	1
Fifth	443	351	119 1/2	141 1/2	31	1	1	1
Sixth	445	354	121	135	31	1	1	1
Seventh	449 1/2	352 1/2	123 1/2	129 1/2	31	1	1	1
Eighth	448 1/2	351 1/2	124	130	31	1	1	1
Ninth	452	352 1/2	122 1/2	127	31	1	1	1
Tenth	456	350 1/2	117 1/2	121	31	1	1	1
Eleventh	454	354 1/2	118 1/2	129	31	1	1	1
*Twelfth	454 1/2	354	123	129	31	1	1	1
Thirteenth	454	356 1/2	115 1/2	129	31	1	1	1
Fourteenth	459	362	113	129	31	2	2	1
Fifteenth	452	362 1/2	110 1/2	129	31	2	2	1
Sixteenth	451	366 1/2	112 1/2	129	31	2	2	1
Seventeenth	451 1/2	362 1/2	112 1/2	129	31	1	4 1/2	1
Eighteenth	455	361	125	129	31	1	3 1/2	1
Nineteenth	452	358	130	129	31	7	1	1
Twentieth	451 1/2	388 1/2	121 1/2	129	31	1	1	1
Twenty-first	455	395 1/2	118	129	31	1	1	4 1/2
Twenty-second	450 1/2	396 1/2	115	129	31	1	1	4 1/2
Twenty-third	457 1/2	399	114 1/2	129	31	1	1	4 1/2
Twenty-fourth	456	402 1/2	115 1/2	129	31	1	1	4 1/2
Twenty-fifth	469	405	108	129	31	1	1	4 1/2
*Twenty-sixth	467 1/2	405	112 1/2	129	31	1	1	4 1/2
Twenty-seventh	469	406 1/2	112	129	31	1	1	3 1/2
Twenty-eighth	468 1/2	437 1/2	112 1/2	129	31	1	1	3 1/2
Twenty-ninth	468 1/2	436	112	129	31	1	1	4 1/2
Thirtieth	455	460	121 1/2	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Thirty-first	446 1/2	474 1/2	116 1/2	117	31	1	1	2 1/2
Thirty-second	446 1/2	477 1/2	119 1/2	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Thirty-third	447 1/2	477 1/2	119 1/2	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Thirty-fourth	447 1/2	479 1/2	101 1/2	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Thirty-fifth	443 1/2	474 1/2	101 1/2	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Thirty-sixth	434 1/2	496 1/2	98 1/2	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Thirty-seventh	432 1/2	496 1/2	100 1/2	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Thirty-eighth	425	498 1/2	106	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Thirty-ninth	422	501 1/2	106	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Fortieth	423	501 1/2	106	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Forty-first	424	499 1/2	106	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
*Forty-second	430	494	105	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Forty-third	429	602	98 1/2	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Forty-fourth	436	629	99	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Forty-fifth	436	633	97	119	31	1	1	2 1/2
Forty-sixth	84	990	12	119	31	1	1	2 1/2

*End of balloting Friday.
**End of balloting Saturday.
***End of balloting Monday.

OGDEN BOY IN LOGAN COLLEGE

The Utah Agricultural college received from the printer today its 1912-13 catalogue, the annual record of the state institution. A 27 per cent increase is noted in the total attendance, the figures rising from 1,069 to 1,366. The agricultural department is the greatest gainer, home economics coming second. Agricultural engineering work is organized in the new catalogue into departments of irrigation and drainage, road building, farm machinery, farm buildings, rural sanitation and health. Work is announced in surveying and hydraulics. The new professor of agricultural engineering, Ray B. West, C. E. (Cornell, '06), formerly a student of the Ogden high school, is expected from the northwest within a week to prepare for his fall work.

The work in mechanical arts is dignified for the first time this year with a degree. In the federal law which created these institutions special requirements were made for work in the mechanic arts, and a rapid rise of mechanic arts in the high schools throughout the state has necessitated this extension of the work at the agricultural college. The degree work in mechanic arts will necessarily deal quite largely with the finer question of construction and building, and complete work will be given in machine work, in wood, iron and steel.

A considerable advance has been made this year by the college in the organization of all its courses which are of a short practical nature into courses of two years duration. Thus the work in agriculture which is of immediate practical value, in home economics, mechanic arts and in commerce will be placed on this two-year basis, the object being to supply to the practical workers of the state that which they most immediately need. The work so organized has always been given by the institution, the new catalogue announcement simply means an organization of this to better meet the needs of the state.

The catalogue announces the completion of the Thomas Smart gymnasium, which was made possible by the gift of the Hon. Thomas Smart, in conjunction with the appropriation by the last state legislature. The completion of this building relieves the congestion in the overcrowded class rooms by enabling the institution to

transfer to the gymnasium all of its student activities and in addition to supply special room for the courses in physical education. Prof. C. T. Tetzels is to be assisted by Miss Johnson of Salt Lake City, formerly with the Deseret gymnasium. Courses are outlined in physical education for women and men.

The faculty, as announced by the new catalogue, contains seventy-four members. There are represented on the faculty eleven doctorates, a larger number than is represented on any similar institution.

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